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March 21, 2005

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1100
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco:

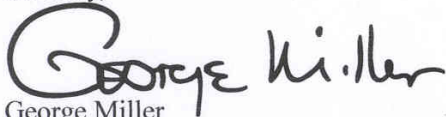
I am writing in strong support of Solano Land Trust's approximately \$50,000 grant request to the Bay Area Ridge Trail Council/Coastal Conservancy for funding pre-construction activities for a segment of the Bay Area Ridge Trail.

The Solano Land Trust, with help from many funders including the Coastal Conservancy, the Wildlife Conservation Board, the Cities of Benicia and Fairfield, the Greater Vallejo Recreation District, Solano County, the Bay Area Ridge Trail Council, and the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation recently completed acquisition of the 3,930-acre King, Eastern Swett and Vallejo Swett Ranches from PG&E. Work has now begun on the preparation of the Resources Management Plan for the entire property. An important part of the Resource Management Plan will be a Public Access and Recreation Plan.

A part of the proposed alignment of the Bay Area Ridge Trail in Solano County crosses the Vallejo Swett Ranch. The requested funding will allow for detailed trail planning work to make this segment of the Ridge Trail a reality. Furthermore, a part of the work will be to ensure that the trail is planned to be compatible with the existing cattle grazing that occurs on the ranch and to protect the important biological resources that exist there. Hikers, equestrians, mountain bicyclists, and other outdoor enthusiasts will benefit from this funding for the extension of the Ridge Trail.

I urge your favorable consideration of the Solano Land Trust's grant request.

Sincerely,



George Miller
Member of Congress
7th District, California

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Budget Subcommittee on Transportation and
Information Technology

April 5, 2005

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1100
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco:

I am writing in support of the Solano Land Trust's grant request to the Bay Area Ridge Trail Council (BARTC)/Coastal Conservancy to fund pre-construction activities for a segment of the Bay Area Ridge Trail.

Recently, the Solano Land Trust, with help from the Coastal Conservancy, the Wildlife Conservation Board, the Cities of Benicia and Fairfield, the Greater Vallejo Recreation District, Solano County, the Bay Area Ridge Trail Council, and the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation, acquired the 3,930-acre King, Eastern Swett and Vallejo Swett Ranches from PG&E.

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I strongly urge your consideration of the Solano Land Trust's request for funding. If you have any questions regarding this project, please feel free to contact me directly. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

LOIS WOLK
Assemblywoman, 8th District

LW:rb

Cc: Wendy Low, Solano Land Trust
Ann Buell, Coastal Conservancy

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NOREEN EVANS
ASSEMBLY MEMBER, SEVENTH DISTRICT

March 30, 2005

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1100
Oakland, Ca. 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco,

I strongly urge you to support Solano Land Trust's grant request to the Bay Area Ridge Trail Council (BARTC)/Coastal Conservancy (SCC) for funding pre-construction activities for a segment of the Bay Area Ridge Trail.

Residents and visitors to the State Assembly 7th District already benefit from the Bay Area Ridge Trail with several completed segments. Completion of the segment of the Bay Area Ridge Trail across the Vallejo Swett Ranch will certainly be of benefit to those of us who enjoy a hike in the protected Bay Area open space lands.

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I urge your support of the Solano Land Trust's grant request. Thank you for your consideration.

Yours very truly,

NOREEN EVANS
Assemblymember, 7th District

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Duane Kromm

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March 23, 2005

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1100
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco:

I strongly urge you to support Solano Land Trust's grant request to the Bay Area Ridge Trail Council (BARTC)/Coastal Conservancy (SCC) for funding pre-construction activities for a segment of the Bay Area Ridge Trail.

Completion of this segment of the Bay Area Ridge Trail is consistent with Solano County's Park and Recreation needs. Furthermore, the Ridge Trail is consistent with the Tri-City and County Cooperative Group's vision for this area.

The Solano Land Trust, with help from many funders, including the Coastal Conservancy, the Wildlife Conservation Board, the Cities of Benicia and Fairfield, the Greater Vallejo Recreation District, Solano County, the Bay Area Ridge Trail Council, and the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation recently completed the acquisition of the 3,930-acre King, Eastern Swett and Vallejo Swett Ranches from PG&E.

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I urge your support of the Solano Land Trust's grant request. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Duane Kromm
Solano County Supervisor, District 3

cc: Solano Land Trust
Solano County Board of Supervisors

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California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1100
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco:

I strongly urge you to support Solano Land Trust's grant request to the Bay Area Ridge Trail Council (BARTC) Coastal Conservancy (SCC) for funding pre-construction activities for a segment of the Bay Area Ridge Trail.

Benicia residents already benefit from the Bay Area Ridge Trail with completed segments in the Benicia State Recreation Area and the Vallejo/Benicia Open Space. Completion of the segment of the Bay Area Ridge Trail across the Vallejo Swett Ranch will certainly be of benefit to Benicia residents because the Benicia segments will eventually connect to this ranch.

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STEVE MESSINA, *Mayor*
Members of the City Council
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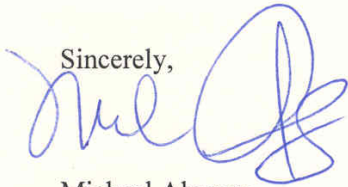
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I urge your support of the Solano Land Trust's grant request. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Michael Alvarez
Director, Parks & Community Services

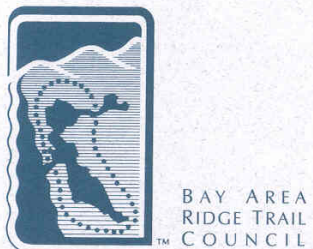
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Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1100
Oakland, CA 94612

15 April 2005

RE: Planning Grant Request to Solano Land Trust for a Bay Area Ridge Trail Segment in Solano County

Dear Chairman Bosco,

The Bay Area Ridge Trail Council enthusiastically requests your approval of Solano Land Trust's planning grant request to the Coastal Conservancy (CCC) for funding pre-construction activities for a segment of the Bay Area Ridge Trail on the Vallejo Swett property in Solano County.

The Solano Land Trust, with help from many funders, including the Coastal Conservancy, The Bay Area Ridge Trail Council, the Wildlife Conservation Board, the Cities of Benicia and Fairfield, the Greater Vallejo Recreation District, Solano County, and the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation recently completed the acquisition of the 3,930-acre King, Eastern Swett and Vallejo Swett Ranches from PG&E.

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We urge your support of the Solano Land Trust's grant request. Thank you for your consideration.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Holly Van Houten".

Holly Van Houten, Executive Director

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